Minutes of February 19, 2020 CPC Meeting

In Attendance: Jennifer Borders, Rick Ferrell, Grace Ressler, Mark Wood.

Visitors: Marianne Cinaglia, Carol Di Giovanni, Debbie Ricard.

Approval of January Minutes – Approval completed.

Vacant Housing Policy: Insurance Lawn Service Legal or County help

Commercial Property at Marsh and Harvey (Previously Subs and Steaks) now the Oddporium. This is a non-conforming leasehold. It has two shop spaces and an apartment. Discussion as to whether to make this a property a permanently approved a business property. It was noted that issues such as possibility of Limited Commercial Use might become an element of The Revised Mission for CPC.

Donut Hole – discussion of whether to initiate the inclusion of those properties. On hold for future discussion.

Sub-committee on Revising the CPC mission – Jennifer Borders, chairperson presented the subcommittee report on revising the CPC Description/Mission Statement report. The subcommittee report of February 13th was presented and CPC reviewed and discussed.

Ad Hoc sub-committee – proposed definition/description will be taken to March Town Assembly- suggested name: Education and Governance sub-committee. After discussion of Danny Schweer's email of his more detailed review of Robert's Rules of Order which revealed that Town Assembly has to approve the structure and purpose of the subcommittee but not the members. It was noted that this Ad Hoc could proceed with its two planned activities for February and March: the first meeting a Direct Democracy Informational Meeting on February 9th and the "meet the candidates" public event to be held March 14th (both to be held at the Buzz Ware Village Center). Two additional key objectives remain active and in process; Refreshing the Arden Website in collaboration with G.I.C. and furthering the production of video clips/documentary in collaboration with The Archives.

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Nominees for March Elections: Rick Ferrell, Mark Wood, John Scheflen, Carol Di Giovanni.

Jeffrey Politis, chair of Town assembly joined our meeting to discuss the Vacant Properties: (there are 3 vacant properties). A County official walked the properties. It was noted that the county can take action if fines in arears on the property exceed \$5,000. An analysis of what the village of Arden might initiate to take action on these properties followed. Rick Farrell will review comparable agreements and situations and share ideas with CPC.

The meeting was adjourned at 8:30 PM.

Respectfully Submitted, Grace Ressler (Presented via email to members for meeting held via Zoom April 23, 2020 7:00PM)